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1. Source with connections in the ADN news agency learned that, on 23 May 1954, the following political directives were issued by the Politburo for Communist propaganda activities in West Germany:

a. Fight against the subservience of West Germany to the US policy by:

- (1) reinforced anti-EDC propaganda
- (2) attempts at breaking up the European Steel and Coal Pool
- (3) a civil liberties campaign and propaganda for a plebiscite on the EDC treaty

Why, in heaven's name, is something like this Carded?

b. Demonstration of the fundamental change in the balance of power between East and West and propaganda for a political reorientation of West Germany. In order to achieve this aim, the following tactics are to be pursued:

- (1) Fight against the Adenauer government; tensions between East and West Germany are to be relaxed by putting forward suggestions as to the reunification of Germany and by approaching the West German public in an unorthodox way
- (2) Negotiations have to be taken up with those West German circles that have the same interests as the SED. Military tendencies in West Germany must be prevented from reviving; the anti-EDC propaganda has to be intensified. Contacts have to be resumed between the working classes in West and East Germany and their respective organizations (DGB, SED, FDGB). In these endeavors the DGB will have to play an outstanding part.

Is this part of the propaganda?

2. Bourgeois circles headed by Dr. Wirth, former Chancellor of the German Reich, have long been realizing that Adenauer's policy is bound to lead to a deadlock. Turning against a submission of West Germany to the USA, they have always stood for the political independence of West Germany, because, as bourgeois patriots, they did not want to make themselves dependent upon the USA so as to be at liberty of taking up negotiations between West and East Germany. We shall have to cooperate with them.

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